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## 5.5.4.2.1 Conventional Construction

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Modify as follows:

- For flexure and tension of reinforced concrete.....0.90
- For flexure and tension of cast-in-place prestressed concrete.....0.95
- For flexure and tension of precast prestressed concrete.....1.00

**rewording,  
approval pending**

## 5.5.4.2.2 Segmental Construction

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5.5.5. Extreme Event Limit State

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Modify as follows:

The structure as a whole and its components shall be proportioned to resist collapse due to extreme events, specified in Table 3.4.1-1, as may be appropriate to its site and use. Resistance factors shall be 1.0.

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## 5.7.2.1 GENERAL

Add bulleted items to the end of the list in Article 5.7.2.1 as follows:

- Balanced strain conditions exist at a cross section when tension reinforcement reaches the strain corresponding to its specified yield strength  $f_y$ , just as the concrete in compression reaches its assumed ultimate strain of 0.003.
- Sections are compression-controlled when the net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is less than the compression-controlled strain limit at the time the concrete in compression reaches its assumed strain limit of 0.003. The compression-controlled strain limit is the net tensile strain in the reinforcement at balanced strain conditions. For Grade 60 reinforcement, and for all prestressed reinforcement, the compression-controlled strain limit may be set equal to 0.002.
- Sections are tension-controlled when the net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is equal to or greater than 0.005 just as the concrete in compression reaches its assumed strain limit of 0.003. Sections with net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel between the compression-controlled strain limit and 0.005 constitute a transition region between compression-controlled and tension-controlled sections.

The use of compression reinforcement in conjunction with additional tension reinforcement is permitted to increase the strength of flexural members.

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## C5.7.2

## C5.7.2.1

Add commentary to Article C5.7.2.1 to accompany the CA bulleted items as follows:

The nominal flexural strength of a member is reached when the strain in the extreme compression fiber reaches the assumed strain limit of 0.003. The net tensile strain  $\epsilon_t$  is the tensile strain in the extreme tension steel at nominal strength, exclusive of strains due to prestress, creep, shrinkage, and temperature. The net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is determined from a linear strain distribution at nominal strength, as shown in Figure C5.7.2.1-1, using similar triangles.

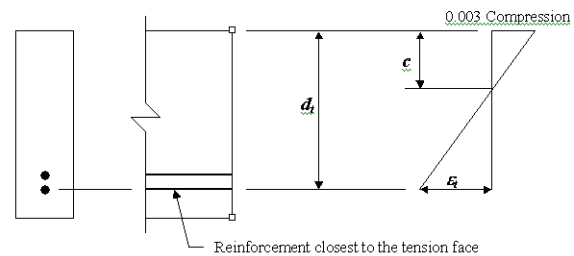


Figure C5.7.2.1-1 – Strain distribution and net tensile strain

When the net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is sufficiently large (equal to or greater than 0.005), the section is defined as tension-controlled where ample warning of failure with excessive deflection and cracking may be expected. When the net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel is small (less than or equal to the compression-controlled strain limit), a brittle failure condition may be expected, with little warning of impending failure. Flexural members are usually tension-controlled, while compression members are usually compression-controlled. Some sections, such as those with small axial load and large bending moment, will have net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel between the above limits. These sections are in a transition region between compression- and tension-controlled sections. Article 5.5.4.2.1 specifies the appropriate resistance factors for tension-controlled and compression-controlled sections, and for intermediate cases in the transition region.

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Before the development of these provisions, the limiting tensile strain for flexural members was not stated, but was implicit in the maximum reinforcement limit that was given as  $c/d_e \leq 0.42$ , which corresponded to a net tensile strain at the centroid of the tension reinforcement of 0.00414. The net tensile strain limit of 0.005 for tension-controlled sections was chosen to be a single value that applies to all types of steel (prestressed and nonprestressed) permitted by this specification.

Unless unusual amounts of ductility are required, the 0.005 limit will provide ductile behavior for most designs. One condition where greater ductile

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behavior is required is in design for redistribution of moments in continuous members and frames. Article 5.7.3.5 permits redistribution of negative moments. Since moment redistribution is dependent on adequate ductility in hinge regions, moment redistribution is limited to sections that have a net tensile strain of at least 0.0075.

For beams with compression reinforcement, or T-beams, the effects of compression reinforcement and flanges are automatically accounted for in the computation of net tensile strain  $\epsilon_t$ .

5.7.2.2 RECTANGULAR STRESS DISTRIBUTION

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## 5.7.3 Flexural Members

## C5.7.3

5.7.3.1 STRESS IN PRESTRESSING STEEL AT  
NOMINAL FLEXURAL RESISTANCE

## C5.7.3.1

## 5.7.3.1.1 Components with Bonded Tendons

## C5.7.3.1.1

Modify Eqn 3 as shown:

$$c = \frac{A_{ps} f_{pu} + A_s f_y - A'_s f'_y - 0.85 f'_c (b - b_w) h_f}{0.85 f'_c \beta_1 b_w + k A_{ps} \frac{f_{pu}}{d_p}}$$

**Approval pending!**

Add the following as the last paragraph:

Studies have been done showing that the Unified Concrete Methodology in AASHTO leads to flexural capacities approximately 15% less than those evaluated using the AASHTO Std. Specs or ACI. The cause

seems to be the assumption that flanged behavior begins when the neutral axis, rather than the compression block, falls outside the tension flange. The difference is independent of the increase from HS20 to HL93. On AASHTO SCOBs'05 ballot.

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## 5.7.3.1.2 Components with Unbonded Tendons

## C5.7.3.1.2

Modify Eqn. 3 as shown:

$$c = \frac{A_{ps}f_{ps} + A_s f_y - A'_s \cancel{f_y} - 0.85\beta_1 f'_c (b - b_w) h_f}{0.85 f'_c \beta_1 b_w}$$

**Approval pending!**

## 5.7.3.2 FLEXURAL RESISTANCE

## C5.7.3.2

## 5.7.3.2.1 Factored Flexural Resistance

## C5.7.3.2.1

For flanged sections subjected to flexure about one axis and for biaxial flexure with axial load as specified in Article 5.7.4.5, where the approximate stress distribution specified in Article 5.7.2.2 is used ~~and the tendons are bonded~~ and where the compression flange depth is less than  $a = \beta_1 c$ , as determined in accordance with Equations 5.7.3.1.1-3,

5.7.3.1.1-4, 5.7.3.1.2-3 or 5.7.3.1.2-4, the nominal flexural resistance may be taken as:

$$M_n = A_{ps}f_{ps}\left(d_p - \frac{a}{2}\right) + A_s f_y \left(d_s - \frac{a}{2}\right) - A'_s f'_y \left(d'_s - \frac{a}{2}\right) + 0.85 f'_c (b - b_w) h_f \left(\frac{d_p}{2} - \frac{d'_s}{2}\right)$$

**Approval pending!**

## 5.7.3.2.2 Flanged Sections

C5.7.3.2.2 In previous editions and interims of the LRFD Specifications, the factor  $\beta_1$  was applied to the flange overhang term of Equations 1, 5.7.3.1.1-3 and 5.7.3.1.2-3. This was not consistent with the original derivation of the equivalent rectangular stress block and applies to flanged sections (Mattock, Kriz and Hognestad 1961). For the current LRFD Specification, the  $\beta_1$  factor has been removed from the flange overhang term of these equations. See also Seguirant (2002), Girgis, Sun and Tadros (2002), Naaman (2002), Weigel, Seguirant, Brice and Khaleghi (2003), Baran, Schultz and French (2004), and Seguirant, Brice and Khaleghi (2004).

In Equation 1,  $A_s' = 0$ .

## 5.7.3.2.3 Rectangular Sections

## C5.7.3.2.3

## 5.7.3.2.4 Other Cross-Sections

## C5.7.3.2.4



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## 5.7.3.3 LIMITS FOR REINFORCEMENT

## 5.7.3.3.1 Maximum Reinforcement

*Remove all of Article 5.7.3.3.1 and replace with [on '05 ballot]*

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## 5.7.3.3.2 Minimum Reinforcement

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## C5.7.3.3

## C5.7.3.3.1

*Remove all of Article C5.7.3.3.1 and replace with:*

In editions of and interims to the LRFD specifications prior to 2005, Article 5.7.3.3.1 limited the tension reinforcement quantity to a maximum amount such that the ratio  $c/d_e$  did not exceed 0.42. Sections with  $c/d_e > 0.42$  were considered over-reinforced. Over-reinforced nonprestressed members were not allowed, whereas prestressed and partially prestressed members with PPR greater than 50 percent were if “it is shown by analysis and experimentation that sufficient ductility of the structure can be achieved.” No guidance was given for what “sufficient ductility” should be, and it was not clear what value of  $\phi$  should be used for such over-reinforced members.

The current provisions of LRFD eliminate this limit and unify the design of prestressed and nonprestressed tension- and compression-controlled members. The background and basis for these provisions are given in Mast (1992). Below a net tensile strain in the extreme tension steel of 0.005, as the tension reinforcement quantity increases, the factored resistance of prestressed and non-prestressed sections is reduced in accordance with Article 5.5.4.2.1. This reduction compensates for decreasing ductility with increasing over-strength. Only the addition of compression reinforcement in conjunction with additional tension reinforcement can result in an increase in the factored flexural resistance of the section.

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DISTRIBUTION OF REINFORCEMENT5.7.3.4 Control of Cracking By Distribution of  
Reinforcement

The provisions specified herein shall apply to the reinforcement of all concrete components, except that of deck slabs designed in accordance with Article 9.7.2, in which tension in the cross-section exceeds 80 percent of the modulus of rupture, specified in Article 5.4.2.6, at applicable service limit state load combination specified in Table  .

Components shall be so proportioned that the tensile stress in the mild steel reinforcement at the service limit state does not exceed  $f_{sa}$ , determined as: The spacing  $s$  of mild steel reinforcement in the layer closest to the tension face shall satisfy the following:

$$f_{sa} = \frac{Z}{(d_c A)^{\frac{1}{3}}} \leq 0.6 f_y \quad s \leq \frac{700 \gamma_e}{\beta_s f_s} - 2d_c \quad ( \text{ } )$$

where

$\gamma_e$  = exposure factor, 1.00 for Class 1, 0.75 for Class 2

$d_c$  = thickness of concrete cover measured from extreme tension fiber to center of the flexural reinforcement located closest thereto

$f_s$  = tensile stress in steel reinforcement at the service limit state (KSI)

$$\beta_s = 1 + \frac{d_c}{0.7(h - d_c)} \quad (5.7.3.4-2)$$

~~Except as specified below for cast-in-place reinforced concrete box culverts, the quantity  $Z$  in Eq. 1 shall not exceed 170 kips/in. for members in moderate exposure conditions, 130 kips/in. for members in severe exposure conditions, and 100 kips/in. for buried structures. The quantity  $Z$  shall not exceed 130 for the transverse design of segmental concrete box girders for any loads applied prior to the attainment of the full nominal concrete strength, to the attainment of the full nominal concrete strength.~~

~~Except as specified...cast-in-place reinforced concrete box culverts, the quantity  $Z$  in Eq. 1 shall...~~

~~Bonded prestressing steel may be included in the calculation of  $A$ , in which case the increase in stress in the bonded prestressing steel beyond the decompression state calculated on the basis of a cracked section or strain compatibility analysis shall satisfy the value of  $f_{sa}$  determined from Eq. 1.~~

The effects of bonded prestressing steel may be considered, in which case the value of  $f_s$  used in Eq. 1, for the bonded prestressing steel, shall be the stress that develops beyond the decompression state calculated on the basis of a cracked section or strain compatibility analysis.

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Class 1 exposure condition applies when cracks can be tolerated due to reduced concerns of appearance and/or corrosion. Class 2 exposure condition applies to transverse design of segmental concrete box girders for any loads applied prior to attaining full nominal concrete strength and when there is increased concern of appearance and/or corrosion.

In the computation of  $d_c$ , the actual concrete cover thickness is to be used.

When computing the actual stress in the steel reinforcement, axial tension effects shall be considered, while axial compression effects may be considered.

The minimum and maximum spacing of reinforcement shall also comply with the provisions of Articles 5.10.3.1 and 5.10.3.2, respectively.

Eq. 1 is expected to provide a distribution of reinforcement that should control flexural cracking. The equation is based on a physical crack model (Frosch 2001) rather than the statistically-based model used in previous editions of the specifications. It is written in a form emphasizing reinforcement details (i.e., limiting bar spacing), rather than crack width, per se. Furthermore, the physical crack model has been shown to provide a more realistic estimate of crack widths for larger concrete covers compared to the previous equation (Destefano 2003).

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There appears to be little or no connection between surface crack width and corrosion. Thicker or additional cover for reinforcement will result in greater surface crack widths. These wider surface cracks are not detrimental to the corrosion protection of the reinforcement. In applying Eq. 1 the actual clear cover should be used where the clear cover is 2.0 in. or less. Where the clear cover exceeds 2.0 in., a value of 2.0 in. should be used for calculation purposes related to Eq. 1. Additional cover may be regarded as added protection.

Equation 1 with Class 1 exposure condition is based on an assumed crack width of 0.017 IN. Previous research indicates that there appears to be little or no correlation between crack width and corrosion, however, the different classes of exposure conditions have been so defined in order to provide flexibility in the application of these provisions to meet the needs of the Owner. Class 1 exposure condition could be thought of as an upper bound in regards to crack width for appearance and corrosion. Areas that the Owner may consider for Class 2 exposure condition would include decks and substructures exposed to water. The crack width is directly proportional to the  $\gamma_c$  exposure factor, therefore, if the Owner desires an alternate crack width, the  $\gamma_c$  factor can be adjusted directly. For example a  $\gamma_c$  factor of 0.5 will result in an approximate crack width of 0.0085.

Where members are exposed to aggressive exposure or corrosive environments, additional protection beyond that provided by satisfying Eq. 1 may be provided by decreasing the permeability of the concrete and/or waterproofing the exposed surface.

Cracks in segmental concrete box girders may result from stresses due to handling and storing segments for precast construction and to stripping forms and supports from cast-in-place construction before attainment of the nominal  $f'_c$ .

~~The basic derivation of the crack ....~~

The  $\beta_s$  factor, which is a geometric relationship between the crack width at the tension face versus the crack width at the reinforcement level, has been incorporated into the basic crack control equation in order to provide uniformity of application for flexural member depths ranging from thin slabs in box culverts to deep pier caps and thick footings. The theoretical definition of  $\beta_s$  may be used in lieu of the approximate expression provided.

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## 5.8.2.1 GENERAL

Add the following restriction to Equation 4:  
where:

$$\frac{A_{cp}^2}{p_c} \leq 2A_o b_v \quad \text{for cellular structures}$$

Add the following as a new last paragraph:  
The shear demand,  $V_u$ , shall be taken as:

- For solid sections,  $V_u = \sqrt{V_u^2 + \left( \frac{0.9 p_h T_u}{2A_o} \right)^2}$   
(5.8.2.1-5)
- For box sections,  $V_u = V_u + \frac{T_u d_s}{2A_o}$   
(5.8.2.1-6)

where:

$p_h$  = perimeter of the centerline of the closed transverse torsion reinforcement (IN)

$A_o$  = area enclosed by the shear flow path, including area of any holes (IN<sup>2</sup>)

$T_u$  = factored torsional moment (K-IN)

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can be much less. The resulting expression matches that in the *AASHTO Guide Specifications for Segmental Bridges*, 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition.

A stress limit for principal tension at the neutral axis in the web was added in 2004. This check requires shear demand, and not the resistance, to be modified for torsion. Equations 5 and 6 were added to clarify how demand is modified for torsion. Note that the  $V_u$  in Equations 5.8.3.4.2-1,2,3 for  $\epsilon_{x2}$  and in Equation 5.8.2.9-1 for  $v_u$  are no longer modified for torsion. In other words, the values used to select  $\beta$ ,  $\theta$  in Tables 5.8.3.4.2-1 and 2 have not been modified for torsion.

For solid cross-section shapes, such as a rectangle or an "I", there is the possibility of considerable redistribution of shear stresses. To make some allowance for this favorable redistribution it is safe to use a root-mean-square approach in calculating the nominal shear stress for these cross-sections, as indicated in Equation 5. The  $0.9p_h$  comes from 90% of the perimeter of the spalled concrete section. This is similar to multiplying 0.9 times the lever arm in flexural calculations.

For a box girder, the shear flow due to torsion is added to the shear flow due to flexure in one exterior girder, and subtracted from the opposite exterior girder. In the case of a box girder, the 2<sup>nd</sup> term in Equation 6 comes from integrating the distance from the centerline of the section, to the center of the shear flow path around the circumference of the section. The stress is converted to a force by multiplying by the girder height measured between the shear flow paths in the top and bottom slabs, which has a value approximately equal that of  $d_v$ . If the exterior girder is sloped, this distance should be divided by the sine of the girder angle from horizontal.

## 5.8.2.2 MODIFICATIONS FOR LOW-DENSITY CONCRETE

The limit to Equation 4 was added to avoid over-estimating  $T_{cr}$  in the case of cellular structures. Equation 4 was derived from a solid section assuming an equivalent thin wall tube. When the actual  $b_v$  and  $A_{cp}$  is considered, torsional resistance

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5.8.2.9 SHEAR STRESS ON CONCRETE	
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Revise Eqn 5.8.2.9-1 as shown below:

$$v = \frac{V_u - \phi V_p}{\phi b_v d_v} \quad v = \frac{|V_u - \phi V_p|}{\phi b_v d_v}$$

Modify paragraph 2 as follows:

In determining the web width at a particular level, one-half the diameters of ungrouted ducts or one-quarter the diameter of grouted ducts at that level shall be subtracted from the web width. It is not necessary to reduce  $b_v$  for the presence of ducts in fully grouted cast-in-place box girder frames.

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5.8.3.4.2 General Procedure	C5.8.3.4.2
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Revise Equations 5.8.3.4.2-1, 2, 3 as shown below:

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$$\epsilon_x = \left[ \frac{\frac{M_u}{d_v} + 0.5N_u + 0.5(V_u - V_p) \cot \theta - A_{ps}f_{po}}{2(\dots)} \right]$$
$$\epsilon_x = \left[ \frac{\frac{|M_u|}{d_v} + 0.5N_u + 0.5(|V_u - V_p|) \cot \theta - A_{ps}f_{po}}{2(\dots)} \right]$$

**Not an amendment;  
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will appear in  
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## 5.8.3.5 LONGITUDINAL REINFORCEMENT

Revise Equation 5.8.3.5-1 as shown below:

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## C5.8.3.5

$$A_{ps}f_{ps} + A_s f_y \geq \frac{M_u}{d_v \phi} + 0.5 \frac{N_u}{\phi} + \left( \frac{V_u}{\phi} - 0.5V_s - V_p \right) \cot \theta$$

$$A_{ps}f_{ps} + A_s f_y \geq \frac{|M_u|}{d_v \phi} + 0.5 \frac{N_u}{\phi} + \left( \left| \frac{V_u}{\phi} - V_p \right| - 0.5V_s \right) \cot \theta$$

**Not an amendment;  
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will appear in  
'05 Interims**

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## COMMENTARY

5.8.3.6 SECTIONS SUBJECTED TO COMBINED  
SHEAR AND TORSION

C5.8.3.6

## 5.8.3.6.1 Transverse Reinforcement

C5.8.3.6.1

## 5.8.3.6.2 Torsional Resistance

C5.8.3.6.2

In Article 5.8.3.6.2, modify the definition of  $A_t$  as follows:  $A_t$  = area of one leg of closed transverse torsion reinforcement in solid members, or total area of transverse torsion reinforcement in the exterior girder of cellular members (IN<sup>2</sup>)

Delete paragraphs 2 and 3

Delete paragraphs 2 and 3, including Equations 2, 3, 4.

C5.8.3.6.3

## 5.8.3.6.3 Longitudinal Reinforcement

The longitudinal reinforcement in solid sections shall be proportioned to satisfy Equation 1.

In box sections, longitudinal reinforcement for torsion, in addition to that required for flexure, shall not be less than

$$A_l = \frac{T_n p_h}{2 A_o f_y} \quad (5.8.3.6.3.2)$$

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will appear in  
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## **Caltrans Amendments, Section 5 – Concrete Structures**

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5.9.2 Stresses Due to Imposed Deformation	C5.9.2

## SPECIFICATIONS

## COMMENTARY

## 5.9.3 Stress Limitations for Prestressing Tendons

## C5.9.3

The following entry in Table 5.9.3-1 shall be changed from:

Prior to Seating	$0.90f_{py}$	$0.90f_{py}$	$0.90f_{py}$
to			
Maximum Jacking Stress	$0.90f_{py}$	$0.75f_{pu}$ (see note)	$0.90f_{py}$

The following shall be added below Table 5.9.3-1:

Note: For longer frame structures, tensioning to  $0.90f_{py}$  for short periods of time prior to seating may be permitted to offset seating and friction losses provided the stress at the anchorage does not exceed the above value (low relaxation strand, only).

## 5.9.4 Stress Limits for Concrete

## C5.9.4

## 5.9.4.1 FOR TEMPORARY STRESSES BEFORE LOSSES – FULLY PRESTRESSED COMPONENTS

## C5.9.4.1

## 5.9.4.1.1 Compression Stresses

## C5.9.4.1.1

## 5.9.4.1.2 Tension Stresses

## C5.9.4.1.2

**SPECIFICATIONS****COMMENTARY**

5.9.4.2 FOR STRESSES AT SERVICE LIMIT  
STATE AFTER LOSSES – FULLY  
PRESTRESSED COMPONENTS

5.9.4.2.1 Compression Stresses

C5.9.4.2.1

5.9.4.2.2 Tension Stresses

C5.9.4.2.2

The following shall replace entries in Table  
5.9.4.2.2-1 for “other than segmentally constructed  
bridges”.

## SPECIFICATIONS

## COMMENTARY

Table 5.9.4.2.2-1 Tensile Stress Limits in Prestressed concrete at Service Limit State After Losses, Fully Prestressed Components

Bridge Type	Location	Stress Limit
Other Than Segmentally Constructed Bridges	Tension in the Precompressed Tensile Zone Bridges, Assuming Uncracked Sections	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For components with bonded prestressing tendons or reinforcement, subjected to permanent loads, only.</li> </ul>	<u>No tension</u>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For components with bonded prestressing tendons or reinforcement that are subjected to not worse than moderate corrosion conditions, and are located in Caltrans Environmental Areas I or II.</li> </ul>	$0.19\sqrt{f'_c}$ (KSI) $0.50\sqrt{f'_c}$ (MPa)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For components with bonded prestressing tendons or reinforcement that are subjected to severe corrosive conditions, and are located in Caltrans Environmental Area III.</li> <li>For components with unbonded prestressing tendons.</li> </ul>	$0.0948\sqrt{f'_c}$ (KSI) $0.25\sqrt{f'_c}$ (MPa)  No tension

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## COMMENTARY

## 5.9.5 Loss of Prestress

## C5.9.5

## 5.9.5.1 TOTAL LOSS OF PRESTRESS

## C5.9.5.1

Values of prestress losses specified herein shall be applicable for specified concrete strengths up to 15.0 KSI. In lieu of more detailed analysis, prestress losses in members prestressed in a single stage, relative to the stress immediately before transfer may be taken as:

- In pretensioned members  $\Delta f_{PT} = \Delta f_{pES} + \Delta f_{pLT}$  (5.9.5.1-1)
- In post-tensioned members  $\Delta f_{PT} = \Delta f_{pF} + \Delta f_{pA} + \Delta f_{pES} + \Delta f_{pLT}$  (5.9.5.1-2)

## 5.9.5.2 INSTANTANEOUS LOSSES

## 5.9.5.2.1 Anchorage Set

## C5.9.5.2.1

## 5.9.5.2.2 Friction

## C5.9.5.2.2

## 5.9.5.2.2a Pretensioned Construction

## C5.9.5.2.2a

## 5.9.5.2.2b Posttensioned Construction

## C5.9.5.2.2b

## 5.9.5.2.3 Elastic Shortening

## C5.9.5.2.3

## 5.9.5.2.3a Pretensioned Members

## C5.9.5.2.3a

## 5.9.5.2.3b Posttensioned Members

## C5.9.5.2.3

**Abbreviated form  
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5.9.5.3 APPROXIMATE LUMP-SUM ESTIMATE  
OF TIME-DEPENDENT LOSSES

## COMMENTARY

## C5.9.5.3

Add the following to the end of Article 5.9.5.3:

For east-in-place post-tensioned members, the approximate estimate of time-dependent losses may be taken as the lump sum value of 25 ksi.

Add the following to the end of C5.9.5.3:

The expression for I-girders was replaced to better match field data using high strength concrete as reported in NCHRP 496. The new approximation is the lump sum estimate of effects due to shrinkage, creep, and relaxation (abbreviated from '05 Interims).

The expressions for estimating time-dependent losses in Table 5.9.5.3-1 were developed for pretensioned precast members and should not be used for east-in-place post-tensioned structures. Preliminary research at UCSD indicates that the time-dependent losses for cast-in-place post-tensioned structures are between 25 ksi and 30 ksi. Until the research is completed, and, in lieu of a more detailed analysis, a lump sum value for losses in post-tensioned members is provided.

**Table 5.9.5.3-1 Time-Dependent Losses for Pretensioned Members in ksi.**

Type of Beam Section	Level	For Wires and Strands with $f_{pu} = 235$ , 250 or 270 ksi	For Bars with $f_{pu} = 145$ or 160 ksi
Rectangular Beams, Solid Slab	Upper Bound Average	29.0 + 4.0 <i>PPR</i> 26.0 + 4.0 <i>PPR</i>	19.0 + 6.0 <i>PPR</i>
Box Girder	Upper Bound Average	21.0 + 4.0 <i>PPR</i> 19.0 + 4.0 <i>PPR</i>	15.0
I-Girder	Average	<div><math display="block">33.0 \left[ 1.0 - 0.15 \frac{f'_c - 6.0}{6.0} \right] + 6.0 \text{ PPR}</math><math display="block">10.0 \frac{f_{pi} A_{ps}}{A_g} \gamma_h \gamma_{st} + 12.0 \gamma_{st} \gamma_h + \Delta f_{pR}</math><math display="block">\text{where } \gamma_h = 1.7 - 0.01H, \gamma_{st} = 5/(1 + f_{ci}), \Delta f_{pR} = 2.5</math></div>	
Single T, Double T, Hollow Core and Voided Slab	Upper Bound  Average	<div><math display="block">39.0 \left[ 1.0 - 0.15 \frac{f'_c - 6.0}{6.0} \right] + 6.0 \text{ PPR}</math><math display="block">33.0 \left[ 1.0 - 0.15 \frac{f'_c - 6.0}{6.0} \right] + 6.0 \text{ PPR}</math></div>	$31.0 \left[ 1.0 - 0.15 \frac{f'_c - 6.0}{6.0} \right] + 6.0 \text{ PPR}$



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5.9.5.4 REFINED ESTIMATES OF  
TIME-DEPENDENT LOSSES Replaced in 2004.  
Outline shown below.

## COMMENTARY

C5.9.5.4

## 5.9.5.4.1 General

$$\Delta f_{pLT} = (\Delta f_{pSR} + \Delta f_{pCR} + \Delta f_{pR1})_{id} \\ + (\Delta f_{pSD} + \Delta f_{pCD} + \Delta f_{pR2} - \Delta f_{pSS})_{df} \\ (5.9.5.4.1-1)$$

5.9.5.4.2 ~~Shrinkage~~ Time of Transfer to Time of Deck Placement5.9.5.4.3 ~~Creep~~ Time of Deck Placement to Final Time5.9.5.4.4 ~~Relaxation~~ Precast Pretensioned Girders without Composite Topping5.9.5.4.5 Post-tensioned Non-segmental Girders

Long-term prestress losses for post-tensioned members after tendons have been grouted may be calculated using the provisions of Articles 5.9.5.4.1 through 5.9.5.4.1-4. In Eq. 5.9.5.4.1-1, the value of the term  $(\Delta f_{pSR} + \Delta f_{pCR} + \Delta f_{pR1})_{id}$  shall be taken as zero.

5.9.5.5 LOSSES FOR DEFLECTION  
CALCULATIONS

C5.9.5.5

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## COMMENTARY

5.10.11.4.1d Transverse Reinforcement for  
Confinement at Plastic Hinges

C5.10.11.4.1d

Modify paragraph 2 as follows:

For a circular column, the volumetric ratio of spiral reinforcement,  $\rho_s$ , shall satisfy ~~either that required in Article 5.7.4.6 or:~~

$$\rho_s \geq 0.12 \frac{f'_c}{f_y} \quad (5.10.11.4.1d-1)$$

$$\rho_s \geq 0.45 \left( \frac{A_g}{A_c} - 1 \right) \frac{f'_c}{f_y} \left( 0.5 + \frac{1.25 P_e}{f'_c A_g} \right)$$

(5.10.11.4.1d-1a)

for columns less than or equal to 3 feet in diameter or least dimension, or

$$\rho_s \geq 0.12 \frac{f'_c}{f_y} \left( 0.5 + \frac{1.25 P_e}{f'_c A_g} \right) \quad (5.10.11.4.1d-1b)$$

for columns larger than 3 feet in diameter or least dimension. However  $\rho_s$  shall not be less than that required by Eq. 5.7.4.6-1. If the cover over the core in a plastic hinge zone exceeds two inches at any point, the value of  $A_g$  used to determine  $\rho_s$  for the plastic hinge zone shall be limited to the area of a reduced section having not more than two inches of cover. The reduced section used to calculate  $A_g$  shall be adequate for all applied loads associated with the plastic hinge.

5.10.11.4.1e Spacing of Transverse Reinforcement  
for Confinement

C5.10.11.4.1e

5.10.11.4.1f Splices

C5.10.11.4.1f

5.10.11.4.2 Requirements for Wall-Type Piers

C5.10.11.4.2

5.10.11.4.3 Column Connections

C5.10.11.4.3

5.10.11.4.4 Construction Joints in Piers and Columns

C5.10.11.4.4

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5.11.2.2.1 Compressive Development Length	C5.11.2.2.1
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5.11.2.4 STANDARD HOOKS IN TENSION	C5.11.2.4
5.11.2.4.1 Basic Hook Development Length	C5.11.2.4.1
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5.11.2.6.1 General	C5.11.2.6.1
5.11.2.6.2 Anchorage of Deformed Reinforcement	C5.11.2.6.2
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5.11.3 Development by Mechanical Anchorages	C5.11.3



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## COMMENTARY

## 5.11.4 Development of Prestressing Strand

## C5.11.4

## 5.11.4.1 GENERAL

## C5.11.4.1

## 5.11.4.2 BONDED STRAND

## C5.11.4.2

## 5.11.4.3 PARTIALLY DEBONDED STRANDS

## C5.11.4.3

The number of partially debonded strands should not exceed ~~25~~ 33 percent of the total number of strands.

The number of debonded strands in any horizontal row shall not exceed ~~40~~ 50 percent of the strands in that row.

The length of debonding of any strand shall be such that all limit states are satisfied with consideration of the total developed resistance at any section being investigated. Not more than 40 percent of the debonded strands, or four strands, whichever is greater, shall have the debonding terminated at any section.

Tests completed by the Florida Department of Transportation (*Shahawy, Robinson, and Batchelor 1993*), (*Shahawy and Batchelor 1991*) indicate that the anchored strength of the strands is one of the primary contributors to the shear resistance of prestressed concrete beams in their end zones. The recommended limit of 25 percent of debonded strands is derived from those tests. Shear capacity was found to be inadequate with full-scale girders where 40 percent of strands were debonded.

## 5.11.5 Splices of Bar Reinforcement

## C5.11.5

## 5.11.5.1 DETAILING

## C5.11.5.1

## 5.11.5.2 GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

## C5.11.5.2

## 5.11.5.2.1 Lap Splices

## C5.11.5.2.1

## 5.11.5.2.2 Mechanical Connections

## C5.11.5.2.2

## 5.11.5.2.3 Welded Splices

## C5.11.5.2.3

## 5.11.5.3 SPLICES OF REINFORCEMENT IN TENSION

## C5.11.5.3

## 5.11.5.3.1 Lap Splices in Tension

## C5.11.5.3.1

## 5.11.5.3.2 Mechanical Connections or Welded Splices in Tension

## C5.11.5.3.2

## 5.11.5.4 SPLICES IN TENSION TIE MEMBERS

## C5.11.5.4

## 5.11.5.5 SPLICES OF BARS IN COMPRESSION

## C5.11.5.5

## 5.11.5.5.1 Lap Splices in Compression

## C5.11.5.5.1

## 5.11.5.5.2 Mechanical Connections or Welded Splices in Compression

## C5.11.5.5.2

## 5.11.5.5.3 End-Bearing Splices

## C5.11.5.5.3

## 5.11.6 Splices of Welded Wire Fabric

## C5.11.6

## 5.11.6.1 SPLICES OF WELDED DEFORMED WIRE FABRIC IN TENSION

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## 5.13.4.5 CAST-IN-PLACE PILES

C5.13.4.5

## 5.13.4.5.1 Pile Dimensions

C5.13.4.5.1

## 5.13.4.5.2 Reinforcing Steel

C5.13.4.5.2

Insert the following as paragraph 3 in Article  
5.13.4.5.2 (on AASHTO '05 ballot):

For cast-in-place concrete piling, clear  
distance between parallel longitudinal and parallel  
transverse reinforcing bars shall not be less than 5  
times the maximum aggregate size or 5 inches,  
except as noted in Article 5.13.4.6 for seismic  
requirements.

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## 5.13.4.6 SEISMIC REQUIREMENTS

## 5.13.4.6.1 Zone 1

## 5.13.4.6.2 Zone 2

## 5.13.4.6.2a General

## 5.13.4.6.2b Cast-in-Place Piles

Revise Article 5.13.4.6.2b as follows (on '05 AASHTO ballot):

"For cast-in-place piles, longitudinal steel shall be provided....For piles less than 24-IN in diameter, Spiral reinforcement or equivalent ties of not less than No. 3 bars shall be provided at a pitch not exceeding 9.0 IN, except that the pitch shall not exceed 3 4.0 IN within a length below the pile cap reinforcement of not less than 2.0 FT or 1.5 pile diameters, whichever is greater below the pile cap reinforcement. See Article 5.10.11.3.

## 5.13.4.6.2c Precast Reinforced Piles

## 5.13.4.6.2d Precast Prestressed Piles

## 5.13.4.6.3 Zones 3 and 4

## 5.13.4.6.3a General

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## C5.13.4.6

## C5.13.4.6.1

## C5.13.4.6.2

## C5.13.4.6.2a

## C5.13.4.6.2b

Add the following as C5.13.4.6.2b

Cast-in-place concrete pilings may only have been vibrated directly beneath the pile cap, or in the uppermost sections. Where concrete is not vibrated, nondestructive tests in the State of California have shown that voids and rock pockets form when adhering to maximum confinement steel spacing limitations from some seismic recommendations. Concrete does not readily flow through the resulting clear distances between bar reinforcing, weakening the concrete section, and compromising the bending resistance to lateral seismic loads. Instead of reduced bar spacing, bar diameters should be increased which results in larger openings between the parallel longitudinal and transverse reinforcing steel.

## C5.13.4.6.2

## C5.13.4.6.2d

## C5.13.4.6.3

## C5.13.4.6.3a

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5.13.4.6.3b Confinement Length

C5.13.4.6.3b

5.13.4.6.3c Volumetric Ratio for Confinement

C5.13.4.6.3c

5.13.4.6.3d Cast-in-Place Piles

C5.13.4.6.3d

Revise Article 5.13.4.6.3d as follows (on '05

Add the following as C5.13.4.6.3d

AASHTO ballot):

"For cast-in-place piles, longitudinal steel shall be provided....~~For piles less than 24-IN in diameter, spiral reinforcement or equivalent ties of not less than No. 3 bars shall be provided at a pitch not exceeding 9.0-IN pitch, except that the pitch shall not exceed 4.0 IN for the top within a length below the pile cap reinforcement of not less than 4.0 FT or two pile diameters, whichever is greater, where the pitch shall be 3-4.0 IN~~ and where the volumetric ratio and splice details shall conform to Articles 5.10.11.4.1d and e."

Cast-in-place concrete pilings may only have been vibrated directly beneath the pile cap, or in the uppermost sections. Where concrete is not vibrated, nondestructive tests in the State of California have shown that voids and rock pockets form when adhering to maximum confinement steel spacing limitations from some seismic recommendations. Concrete does not readily flow through the resulting clear distances between bar reinforcing, weakening the concrete section, and compromising the bending resistance to lateral seismic loads. Instead of reduced bar spacing, bar diameters should be increased which results in larger openings between the parallel longitudinal and transverse reinforcing steel.

## 5.14 PROVISIONS FOR STRUCTURE TYPES

C5.14

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C5.14.1

5.14.1.2 Precast Beams

C5.14.1.2

5.14.1.2.1 Preservice Conditions

C5.14.1.2.1

5.14.1.2.7b Reinforcement

C5.14.1.2.7b

Delete the first sentence.

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In the second sentence, replace "Such reinforcement" with "Reinforcement".